

unauthorized or inefficient government programs, there is no excuse for failing to fulfill the promise to fund 40 percent of special education programs.

With better accountability of programs within the budget process, we would already have the funds available for special education.

Instead, we are on the path of underfunding and depriving special education students the quality education they deserve.

Again, I would like to thank my colleagues for their support of H.R. 4055 and thank Chairman GOODLING for his hard and dedicated work on this bill.

HONORING THE SOUTH BAY NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER BREAKFAST

HON. STEVEN T. KUYKENDALL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 4, 2000

Mr. KUYKENDALL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the second annual South Bay National Day of Prayer Breakfast. This Judeo-Christian event was created to recognize the value of prayer and reflection in our daily lives.

This important occasion is patterned after the National Day of Prayer Breakfast in Washington, DC. Congress established the National Day of Prayer Breakfast in 1952 as a time for personal reflection and rededication of individuals, communities, and the nation to God.

I commend the business, religious, and community leaders who are responsible for organizing this event in the South Bay. This is a meaningful event for individuals of all backgrounds and faiths to come together as a community and reflect.

Although this is only the second year that the South Bay National Day of Prayer Breakfast is being held, it has quickly become a tradition. I look forward to its continued success.

HONORING JULIE JOHNSON-WILLIAMS

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 4, 2000

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, this week, Julie Johnson-Williams will be honored as the founding President and Member-Emeritus at Women for WineSense 10th Anniversary Conference in Sonoma County, California.

In 1981, Julie Johnson-Williams co-founded Frog's Leap Winery, one of the finest wineries in Napa Valley and its third California-Certified Organic Vineyard. Julie has been an active member in the Napa Valley Vintners Association, the California Wine Institute and the Winemaking Families and Grapegrowers' Appreciation Day. As an avid gardener, Julie creatively nurtures the vines, orchards and vegetable plots that delight the visitors of Frog's Leap.

As a Public Health nurse with a Nursing Award for Academic Excellence from Colum-

bia University School of Nursing, Julie brings a commitment to healthy lifestyles to the world of wine. She now reaches beyond illness to the territory of the "well" in her Women for WineSense efforts. In particular, Julie has focused her activities to educate and empower women to make responsible lifestyle decisions, and to take a proactive stance in community and occupational arenas.

Julie's civic and philanthropic activities are built on her educational and career endeavors. As a parent, she is an on-going classroom volunteer in the St. Helena Unified School District. She has been a volunteer fund-raiser for the Shasta-Diablo Planned Parenthood group. As a health professional, Julie has a particular concern for the prevention of alcohol and drug abuse and has been an active member of numerous boards that address this issue.

Julie can truly be called a "Renaissance Woman." She has endless energy for her family, community and the vineyard she loves. Julie accomplishes so much and with great aplomb. Her generosity and talent greatly benefit the varied communities she serves.

Ten years ago, Julie founded the premier worldwide grassroots organization for women interested in wine. Women for WineSense continues to serve as a moderate, non-biased, non-profit educational and promotional organization to ensure all women and men have accurate information on the cultural, social and health effects of moderate wine consumption.

Mr. Speaker, I join the other Women for WineSense members in honoring Julie Johnson-Williams as their Founding President and Woman of the Year 2000.

TRIBUTE TO MR. AND MRS. JACK QUINN, SR.

HON. JACK QUINN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 4, 2000

Mr. QUINN. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to rise today to pay tribute and officially recognize a very special Golden Anniversary occurring in my Congressional District this week-end. In fact, this very well may be the speech I am most proud to give, because today I rise to honor my parents, Jack and Norma Quinn.

On May 6, 1950, Jack Quinn married Norma Ide at the Holy Family Church in South Buffalo. My father then went to work with the South Buffalo Railroad, where he spent over 32 years. Never one to shy away from hard work, he then took a new job with the Erie County Library System, where he spent an additional 16 years.

For the pass 44 years, Jack and Norma Quinn have made their home on East Frontier in the Village of Blasdell.

While Jack worked at the Railroad and later with the Library system, Norma maintained part-time work, but focused intently on her role as a full-time Mother. Mr. Speaker, believe me, it must not have been easy raising the five Quinn boys.

As a community, we pause to honor and recognize those couples whose dedication, commitment and love for each other has carried them through fifty years of marriage.

These couples serve as a positive example to our entire community that strong marriages based on love, mutual respect, and caring devotion will stand the test of time.

Throughout these past fifty years, their steadfast commitment to one another, strength, and devotion to our family has never faltered.

To commemorate this momentous occasion, our family will have a small, private ceremony where our parents will renew their vows.

Mr. Speaker, today I join with my four brothers, Kevin, Jeff, Tom and Mike, our wives and children, and our entire Quinn Family in special recognition and loving tribute to my parents on this Golden Anniversary. I thank them for their example of commitment to God, family, and to one another.

TRIBUTE TO CYNTHIA G. ROTH

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 4, 2000

Mr. CALVERT. Mr. Speaker, I take the floor today to honor Cynthia G. Roth, the recipient of the 2000 ATHENA Award.

The ATHENA Foundation Award Programs originated in 1980 by Martha Mayhood Mertz, who realized that in the 75 years of presenting community awards, her Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce, of Michigan, had only once honored a woman. Mertz recognized that focus had to be given to the incredible professional women in our communities and they had to be incorporated into leadership positions in the local Chambers of Commerce.

Cynthia G. Roth, of my own district of Western Riverside, California, has worked with Greater Riverside Chambers of Commerce for 23 years. She started with the Chamber as a receptionist and is now the President and Chief Executive Officer, where she oversees a budget of \$1.1 million, supervises a staff of 15 and promotes the Riverside region. Cynthia's 23 years with the Greater Riverside Chambers of Commerce epitomizes the ATHENA philosophy of leadership that celebrates relationships and services to the community.

Mr. Speaker, my district is fortunate to have the dynamic and dedicated community leader in Cynthia. She has given her time and talents to promote the businesses, schools and community organizations of Riverside. Moreover, she has been an exceptional motivator and inspiration to all young women around her.

Cynthia's outstanding work makes me proud to call her a community member and fellow American. I know that all of Riverside, including myself, are grateful for her contribution to the betterment of our community and salute her on May 10th with the 2000 ATHENA Award.

I look forward to continuing to work with her and the many professional women of Riverside County for the good of our community. I would like to close with the ATHENA Foundation motto by Plato: "What is honored in a country will be cultivated there."